

# College Grove Special Area Plan

**Public Involvement Phase** 

**Kick-off Meeting** 11.18.2008

### **Presentation Outline**

- o Introduction into the Planning Process
- o Background Information
- o Working Group Assignment
- o Reporting of Results and Discussion



#### **Purpose of Workshop**

- o To provide citizens:
  - With a background about current planning efforts;
  - An opportunity to tell Staff what is important about the College Grove Village; and
  - An opportunity for Staff to learn about community values as they relate to growth and development.



#### **What This Plan Is Not**

- o Incorporation or Annexation
- Regulations
  - Plan serves as policies not regulations
  - Does not change zoning



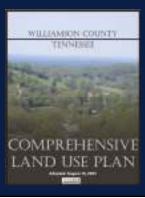
### **Current Planning Efforts**

- o Comprehensive Plan Update
- o Zoning Ordinance Update
- Special Area Plan Development for Villages



### Comprehensive Plan Update

August 2007: County approves Comprehensive Land Use Plan





### Comprehensive Plan Update

- o What is the Comprehensive Plan?
  - A guide in the development process;
  - Leads decisions about public facilities; and
  - And used as a basis for implementing tools to make the plan a reality.



### Comprehensive Plan Update

- Comprehensive Plan identified 5 land use categories
- o Led to establishment of 5 new zoning districts:
  - · Rural Preservation & Rural Development
  - Hamlet
  - Village
  - 840 Center
  - · Suburban Infill and Conservation



## 4 Villages Identified in Comp Plan

- o College Grove
- o Triune
- o Grassland
- o Leipers Fork



### What is a 'Village?'

- Crossroad community of historical significance
- o Limited infrastructure
- Located in areas with increased growth pressure
- o Compact development pattern
- o Broader mix of uses than other areas



### **College Grove Village**





### The College Grove Special Area Plan

- The purpose of the Special Area Plan:
  - Articulate a shared vision for the community;
  - Identify specific goals & strategies;
  - Provide more specificity (than the Comp Plan) to a defined area due to its uniqueness; and
  - Identify appropriate land uses and infrastructure needs.



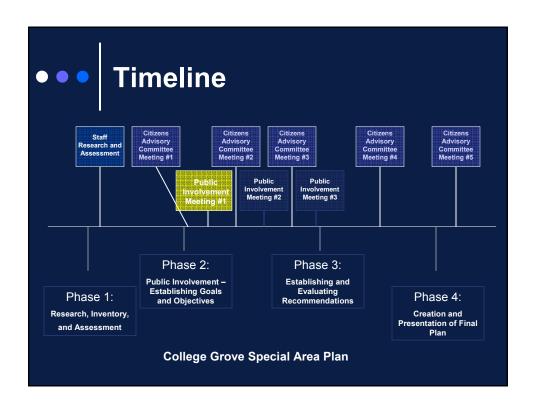
## The College Grove Special Area Plan

- o End result of Special Area Plan:
  - Provide a vision to guide future land use / development decisions;
  - Provide recommendations / serves as the basis for tailored development standards and design guidelines; and
  - Serves as the policy statement for integration into the new zoning ordinance.

#### • • •

#### **Special Area Plan Process**

- Phase 1: Research, Inventory and Assessment
- Phase 2: Public Involvement Establishing Goals & Objectives
- Phase 3: Establishing and Evaluating Alternatives – Staff Recommendations
- Phase 4: Creation and Presentation of Final Plan







#### Public's Role

- o The College Grove Special Area Plan is 'Citizen Driven':
  - The vision and preferences given by citizens will serve as the foundation for the plan's policies
  - These policies will in turn create the regulations to help achieve the future of the community



### How can we Reach Full Potential of the Plan?

- Ask questions
- o Be respectful of others
- o Talk to the Citizen Advisory Committee members
- Attend meeting and participate in workshop activities
- o Spread the word to your friends and neighbors
- o Try and envision the Village long-term
- o Think of what we can do, not what we can't do



#### **Workshop Exercise**

### **Envision the College Grove Village**



### **Workshop Logistics**

- o Break out into groups
- o Go to assigned table
- o Designate spokesperson and recorder
- o Address 1st question
- o Report results
- o Address 2<sup>nd</sup> question
- Report results
- o Closing Discussion

### • • • Discussion Question #1

 What are the most important Planning, Preservation, and Development Issues facing the College Grove Village?

### • • • Discussion Question #2

o What is your vision for the next 20 years in the College Grove Village?

### • • • Next Steps

- County Staff to organize and post today's meeting notes
- o Citizens Advisory Committee #2
  - Create a preliminary list of goals
- o Public Involvement Meeting #2
  - Establish goals and preferences





#### **Thank You!**

**Questions or Comments?** 

Williamson County Planning Department
Williamson County Administrative Complex
1320 West Main Street, Suite 400
Franklin, TN 37064
Phone (615) 790-5725

Email: robbieh@williamson-tn.org